

I. AMENDMENT

A. In The Claims

Please enter the amendment to the claims and add the new claims as set forth below. It is believed that no new matter has been added.

1. (Currently amended) A method of forming a garden, the method including:

forming a design for a garden;

implementing the design by

forming a piece corresponding to a portion of the design, the piece including at least one member of the group consisting of forbs, a shrub, a tree, annuals, flowering plants, a bush, wildflowers, grasses, a space for a shrub, a space for a tree, a space for annuals, a space for layers of flowering plants, a space for a bush, a space for wildflowers, a space for grasses, a space for a walkway, and a space for a garden accouterment, by growing roots in the piece at at least one grower location;

transporting the piece to a user's garden location; and

installing the piece, so that the roots can knit essentially unimpeded from the piece into with earth below the piece at the user's garden location, in accordance with the design.

2. (Currently amended) A method of forming a garden, the method including:

forming a design for a garden;

forming pieces corresponding to portions of the design by growing mats of roots of respectively different kinds of plants, in accordance with the design, at at least one grower location;

harvesting the mats;
transporting the mats to a user's garden location; and
installing the mats at the user's garden location so that the roots are able to knit essentially unimpeded from the mats into ~~with~~ earth below the mats to form the garden, according to the design.

3. (Previously presented) The method of claim 2, wherein the design is implemented with at least one of the pieces including at least one member of the group consisting of forbs, a shrub, a tree, annuals, flowering plants, a bush, wildflowers, grasses, a crop, a space for a shrub, a space for a tree, a space for annuals, a space for flowering plants, a space for a bush, a space for wildflowers, a space for grasses, a space for a walkway, and a space for a garden accouterment, in accordance with the design.

4. (original) The method of claim 3, further including a second member of the group, in accordance with the design.

5. (original) The method of claim 3, further including a third member of the group, in accordance with the design.

6. (Previously presented) The method of claim 3, wherein the mats differ by at least one kind of plant that is a member of the group, in accordance with the design.

7. (Previously presented) The method of claim 3, wherein the mats differ by at least two kinds of plants that are members of the group, in accordance with the design.

8. (Previously presented) The method of claim 3, wherein the mats differ by at least three kinds of plants that are members of the group, in accordance with the design.

9. (Previously presented) The method of claim 3, wherein the mats differ by at least four kinds of plants that are members of the group, in accordance with the design.

10. (Previously presented) The method of claim 3, wherein the mats differ by at least five kinds of plants that are members of the group, in accordance with the design.

11. (Previously presented) The method of claim 3, wherein the mats differ by at least six kinds of plants that are members of the group, in accordance with the design.

12. (Previously presented) The method of claim 3, wherein the mats differ by at least seven kinds of plants that are members of the group, in accordance with the design.

13. (Previously presented) The method of claim 3, wherein the mats differ by at least eight kinds of plants that are members of the group, in accordance with the design.

14. (original) The method of claim 6, further including lawn on a portion of at least one of the mats.

15. (original) The method of claim 7, further including lawn on a portion of at least one of the mats.

16. (previously presented) The method of claim 2, wherein the forming the

design includes forming a design of a corporate logo.

17. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, wherein the forming the design includes forming a design of a corporate logo.

18. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, wherein the forming the piece is carried out so as to include a second member of the group, in accordance with the design.

19. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, wherein the forming the piece is carried out so as to include a third member of the group, in accordance with the design.

20. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, further including forming a second piece corresponding to a second portion of the design, the second piece differing from the first piece by at least one kind of plant that is a member of the group, in accordance with the design;

growing the second piece, in accordance with the design;

transporting the second piece to the user's garden location; and

installing the second piece at the user's garden location, in accordance with the design.

21. (Previously presented) A method of forming a corporate logo garden, the method including:

forming a design for a garden comprised of a corporate logo;

growing the corporate logo, in accordance with the design, including at least one

member of the group consisting of a forb, a shrub, a tree, an annual, a flowering plant, a bush, a wildflower, and grass, at a grower location;

transporting the corporate logo to a garden site; and

installing the corporate logo at the garden site to produce the garden having the corporate logo design.

22. (new) The method of claim 1, wherein the forming comprises locating a biodegradable matrix within the piece.

23. (new) The method of claim 2, wherein the growing comprises locating a biodegradable matrix within the piece.

24. (new) The method of claim 3, wherein the growing comprises growing the corporate logo in a biodegradable matrix.